



Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement  
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GP02-T-01

Council District and SNI Area:  
Citywide

Major Thoroughfares Map Number:  
N/A

Assessor's Parcel Number(s):  
N/A

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# GENERAL PLAN REPORT

## 2002 Spring Hearing

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Amend the text to make minor corrections and modifications to the General Plan text.

### TEXT REFERENCE

*San Jose 2020 General Plan*

**LOCATION:** Citywide

**ACREAGE:** N/A

### APPLICANT/OWNER:

Staff

### ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW STATUS:

San Jose 2020 General Plan Environmental Impact Report adopted by the City Council on August 16, 1994.

### PLANNING STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Planning staff recommends to adopt the proposed text amendment.

Approved by:

Date:

### PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION:

### CITY COUNCIL ACTION:

### CITY DEPARTMENT AND PUBLIC AGENCY COMMENTS RECEIVED:

Disability Advisory Commission – memorandum dated March 1, 2001

### GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE:

None

**ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:**

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**BACKGROUND**

The *San Jose 2020 General Plan* is a blueprint for the physical development of the City. The General Plan is intended to be used by all members of the community as the policy framework for land use decisions. The Major Strategies and Goals and Policies of the General Plan recognize the various needs of the community, including persons with disabilities and people who are economically and socially disadvantaged.

This is a staff-initiated General Plan amendment to make minor text revisions to modify language involving people with disabilities throughout the General Plan. This issue came to Planning staff's attention from the City's Disability Advisory Commission.

**ANALYSIS**

A memorandum to the Department of Planning, Building and Code Enforcement from the Disability Advisory Commission dated March 1, 2001 identified several issues which could be resolved through text amendments to the *General Plan*. Most of the issues were addressed in a text amendment associated with pedestrian policies adopted by the City Council last fall (GP01-T-34).

Planning staff has initiated this text revision amendment to make minor language revisions to the *General Plan*. The major feature of this amendment is to propose text changes in response to the Commission's memorandum regarding a global change to correctly refer to person with disabilities and the *Americans with Disabilities Act* (ADA) throughout the document.

**PUBLIC OUTREACH**

The General Plan hearings were noticed in the Mercury News. In addition, community meetings were on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup> 2002. The community can be kept informed about the status of amendments on the Department's web-site, which contains information on the General Plan process, each proposed amendment, staff reports, and hearing schedule.

Staff presented the revisions to the Disability Advisory Commission at their May meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Adopt the proposed text amendment.